

SELECTIVE ENZYME TREATMENT OF SKIN CONDITIONS

ABSTRACT

A method of treating skin conditions by providing compositions containing enzymes to selectively remove specific layers of skin. The depth of skin removed (that is, vertical surface treated) is regulated by the type and concentration of enzyme or enzymes in the composition. The surface area of skin removed (that is, radial surface treated) is regulated by the area of topical application. Conditions treatable by the method include, but are not limited to, age-related conditions such as lines and wrinkles, infections, pigmentary disorders, follicular disorders such as acne, and hyperkeratotic disorders such as warts. The inventive method and composition thus achieves the specificity and efficacy of more invasive methods such as surgery, while providing a composition that may be topically applied and is easy to use.